



Arizona Department of Public Safety

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Arizona Department of Public Safety Seizes 5 Pounds of Methamphetamine and 12 “eight balls” of Crack Cocaine on the same day along Interstate 40 *One vehicle displayed the commemorative fallen officer license plate*

On February 28th, at 8:00 a.m., an Arizona Department of Public Safety Officer stopped a 1998 Dodge Mini Van for following too close on I-40 eastbound at milepost 204 (near Flagstaff).

Written consent to search the vehicle was granted. Four bundles of methamphetamine totaling five pounds were recovered from a constructed compartment in the dashboard.

The driver was headed to Albuquerque, New Mexico from Phoenix in a 1998 Dodge Mini Van displaying a specialized license plate designed to commemorate fallen law enforcement officers. The vehicle was registered to someone else.

Arrested: Adalberto Castro, 26, an Undocumented Alien
Bakersfield, California

On February 28th, at 1:00 p.m., an Arizona Department of Public Safety Officer made a traffic stop on eastbound I-40 at milepost 272 (near Winslow) for speeding. During the stop the driver was arrested for providing a fictitious California drivers license. With the assistance of DPS Canine “Barry”, a search was conducted revealing 12 “eight balls” of Crack Cocaine, 5 grams of methamphetamine and personal use marijuana.

Arrested: Driver Jackie Tucker, 39, of San Francisco, California
Passenger Cinthya Hamilton, 20, of San Francisco, California

The vehicle, a rented 2008 Dodge Charger, was headed from San Francisco to New Mexico.

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